

UNION IS STRENGTH

Once, an old farmer lived in a village. He had three sons, they often quarreled among themselves for nothing. The farmer was very worried about their wild manners. He frequently advised them not to quarrel, but they paid no heed to his advice. One day, the farmer fell seriously ill with little hope of recovery. He decided to teach his sons the lesson of unity. He asked them to fetch a bundle of sticks. They brought the bundle in less than no time. He then asked them if any one of them could break it. His sons accepted the challenge. First, the youngest son tried his best to break it but could not. Then came forward the elder son. He tried but in vain to break it. At last, the eldest son stepped forward angrily to break it but to no avail. At this, the old farmer asked them to unite the bundle and break the sticks one by one. They did it easily. The father succeeded in making his son realize that the sticks were strong when they were tried together but